(c) whether the Government have since given recognition to Yoga in curing ailments; and

(d) if so, steps Government propose to boost Yoga in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b3 Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) With a view to conduct and coordinate research in the science of yoga in all its aspects and to promote its wider understanding, acceptance and application, the Government has established the Central Research Institute for Yoga (CRIY) at New Delhi. The Institute is conducting research fundamental and applied in the field of yoga.

The Government has also established a Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy (CCRYN) which renders financial assistance for conducting research in the field of yoga. The Government is also rendering financial assistance for training in the field of Yoga.

Demands of Striking DTC Workers

335. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether DTC workers in Delhi went on strike from the 17th March, 1988;

(b) if so, what were their demands and the steps taken till now to examine their demands for settlement;

(c) whether Government have made any announcement in the matter;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether some drivers, conductors and others of DTC have been suspended/dismissed;

(f) if so, the details thereof?

(g) whether DTC Unions and other trade union, centres have requested Government and DTC authorities to reconsider suspention/dismissal orders and to settle the issues with the unions;

(h) if so, the details thereof; and

(i) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) The DTC employees have been agitating mainly for application to them of the recommendations of the 4th Pay Commission. The matter stands referred to the High Power Pay Committee as per directions of the Supreme Court. The instalments of DA ordered to be released as per the orders of the Supreme Court have been paid. The interim recommendations of the High Power Pay Committee in respect of payment of Interim Relief and enhanced rate of HRA and CCA have also been accepted by the Government.

(e) and (f) The details of the emplofees dismissed from service by Delhi Transport Corporation are as under:—

(i) Drivers	—	1325
(ii) Conductors	—	1020
(iii) Workshop	—	602
Supervisory	—	20
(iv) Traffic	—	
(v) Others	—	158
Total		3125

(g) to (i) Requests have been received for reconsideration of the dismissal orders. Government do not intend to interfere with the dismissal orders issued by Delhi Transport Corporation.

336 [*Transferred to the 2nd May*, 1988]